

### **REMARKS**

Prior to entry of this paper, Claims 1-24 were pending. Claims 1-24 were rejected. In this paper, Claims 1, 10, 12, and 16 are amended, without narrowing the scope of the claims, but merely to clarify the claims; No Claims are canceled; and no claims are added. In the specification, paragraphs [0007] and [0015] have been amended to conform to that which is illustrated in figure 2b. Claims 1-24 are currently pending. No new matter is added by way of this amendment. For at least the following reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that each of the presently pending claims is in condition for allowance.

### **Examiner Interview**

The Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for her time and patience to discuss the pending office action with the Applicant's representative in the interview of August 7, 2007. During the interview, the Examiner identified an issue regarding clarity of the pending independent claims, based in part on the figures and the specification.

The Examiner suggested amending the specification regarding the description of figure 2b to properly conform to that which is illustrated in the figure as originally filed. In response, the Applicant has made amendments without adding new matter.

The Examiner also suggested clarifying the pending independent claims through an amendment based on the discussion of the specification and figures. Moreover, the Examiner acknowledged that the currently cited prior art Hagan et al. (US Patent Application Publication No. 2001/0054155 A1) does not appear to read on the claims based on the discussed amendments.

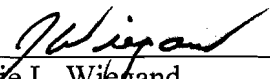
In response, the Applicant has sought to amend the claims as discussed during the interview. Thus, the Applicant submits that the amended claims are not anticipated nor rendered obvious by Hagan. Therefore, the Applicant respectfully requests that the pending claims 1-24 be allowed to issue.

**CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully submitted that each of the presently pending claims (Claims 1-24) is in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is requested. Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's representative at the below-listed telephone number if it is believed that the prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby. Although only certain arguments regarding patentability are set forth herein, there may be other arguments and reasons why the claimed invention is patentable. Applicant reserves the right to raise these arguments in the future.

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